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## RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated May 13, 2009, Applicants elect, without traverse, Species 1 (directed to Figures 1-8), including Claims 1-4 and 9, for further examination on the merits. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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